

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (currently amended) A method to detect a fault in a CPU of an industrial controller during on-line safety control of real world objects the method comprising: ~~comprising the steps of~~

compiling an application program into assembler instructions, which application program was previously defined in a high level language intended for safety control,

~~characterized by that the method comprising the steps of~~

compiling a test application into assembler instructions where the assembler instructions is a subset of the total number of assembler instructions available for the CPU, which test application was previously defined in said high level language intended for safety control and the test application covers at least all language constructs used in the application program,

downloading the application program and the test application to a central unit of an industrial controller,

executing repeatedly the test application in the industrial controller,

comparing repeatedly by means of a test module a result from the test application with the pre-defined result in the test module,

detecting a fault in the CPU as the result from the test application does not equal the pre-defined result stored in the test module and the unexpected result of the test application is due to the execution of an assembler instruction of the test application,

aborting the execution of the application program wherein the application program is

prohibited from executing the assembler instruction which otherwise would cause the application program to fail.

2. (currently amended) A The method according to claim 1 ~~where 1, wherein~~ the assembler version of the test application comprise assembler code derived from all language constructs in the high-level language available for safety control of real world objects.

3. (currently amended) A The method according to claim 1, wherein ~~1 or claim 2 where~~ the high level language intended for safety control is based on IEC 61131-3.

4. (currently amended) A The method according to claim 3, ~~characterized in that the~~ ~~step of wherein~~ defining a test application ~~comprise an analyses of~~ analyzing the application in order to determine subset and software libraries used in the said application code.

5. (currently amended) A The method according to claim 4, ~~characterized in that the~~ ~~step of defining wherein~~ a test application is ~~made~~ defined automatically without any additional command from an application programmer.

6. (currently amended) A The method according to claim 5, ~~characterized in that the~~ ~~step of wherein~~ executing the test application repeatedly is performed by a cyclic execution of the test application where the cycle time is determined from a given process safety time value.

7. (currently amended) A The method according to claim 6, ~~characterized in that~~

wherein the said test application before an execution receives a set of input values and the input values are generated by means of the test module.

8. (currently amended) A The method according to claim 7, ~~characterized in that the down-loading step of~~ wherein down-loading the application program and test application additionally comprise ~~the additional step of~~ down-loading a predefined result.

10. (currently amended) A computer program product, for use in an industrial control system, containing software code means loadable into the central unit of an industrial controller intended for safety control of real world objects, said computer program product ~~characterized in that it comprises~~ comprising means to make the industrial controller:

execute repeatedly the test application in the industrial controller,

compare repeatedly by means of a test module a result from the test application with the pre-defined result in the test module,

detect a fault in the CPU as the result from the test application does not equal the pre-defined result stored in the test module and the unexpected result of the test application is due to the execution of an assembler instruction of the test application,

abort the execution of the application program wherein the application program is prohibited from executing the assembler instruction which otherwise would cause the application program to fail, ~~all steps according to the method in claim 1.~~

11. (currently amended) An industrial control system, comprising an industrial controller with a central unit equipped with a CPU intended for safety control of real world

objects, an I/O system ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the CPU is subject to fault detection according to the method in claim 1.